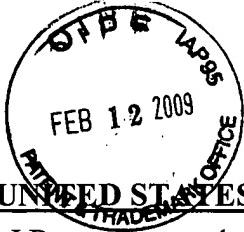


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In response to the Examiner's Answer mailed December 9, 2008 which raised new grounds of rejection, please withdraw the present appeal and reopen prosecution in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §41.39(b)(1) and amend the Application as follows, and consider the appended remarks: